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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Linda G. Cima, Edward W. Merrill, and Philip R. Kuhl

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Art Unit: 1653

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Examiner: Jeffrey E. Russel

For: *CELL GROWTH SUBSTRATES WITH TETHERED CELL GROWTH EFFECTOR
MOLECULES*

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Responsive to the Board of Appeals Decision mailed July 27, 2001 and the Office Action mailed May 21, 2002, please amend the application as follows. It is believed that no fee is required with this submission. However, should a fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1868.

Amendment

Please enter the following amendment.

Please cancel claims 1-13.

14. (Amended) A method for growing eukaryotic cells comprising
bringing into contact the cells and a composition comprising
a biocompatible solid substrate,
biocompatible polymeric tethers, and